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SUBJECT: 30 TH UNGA- GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT BY ISRAEL

1. SUMMARY: IN OUTLINING ISRAEL'S POSITION ON THE MIDDLE EAST AND TOWARDS FUTURE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS YIGAL ALLON SAID THAT SINCERE PEACE-SEEKERS WOULD SURELY FIND CAUSE FOR SATISFACTION IN THE NEW EGYPT-ISRAEL AGREEMENT WHICH WAS NEGOTIATED THROUGH THE GOOD OFFICES OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES. THE MAIN SIGNIFICANCE OF THE AGREEMENT WAS THE OPENING OF A NEW CHAPTER IN RELATIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT; THE AGREEMENT WAS NOT DIRECTED AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY. ISRAEL WAS READY TO ENTER FURTHER NETOTIATIONS AND HOPED THAT STATEMENTS BY SYRIAN LEADERS REJECTING A PEACE TREATY WITH ISRAEL WAS NOT THEIR LAST WORD. THE GENEVA CONFERENCE COULD BE RECONVENED WHENEVER THE PARTIES WERE READY FOR IT; ISRAEL WOULD GIVE

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SECRETARY KISSINGER'S IDEA FOR AN INFORMAL MULTILATERAL

CONSULTATION THE MOST EARNEST CONSIDERATION. ALLON SAID THAT THE PALESTINE ARAB PROBLEM COULD BE SOLVED IN THE CONTEXT OF A PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND JORDAN. HE REJECTED CATEGORICALLY THE PLO AS A VALID REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINE PEOPLE AND AS A VALID INTERLOCUTOR FOR ISRAEL, ACCUSING THE PLO OF SPEARHEADING EFFORTS TO DISRUPT THE RECENT PEACE AGREEMENT. ALLON ASSESSED THE UN AT ITS 30 TH ANNIVERSARY FROM ISRAEL'S VIEWPOINT AND FOUND THE ORGANIZATION TO HAVE A VERY UNEVEN RECORD, A PLACE WHERE ANTI-ISRAEL RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED BY AUTOMATIC MAJORITIES. HE CALLED ON THE SOVIET UNION TO LIVE UP TO THE SPIRIT OF THE CSCE AND THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT IN THE TREATMENT OF ITS JEWISH MINORITY. HE CLOSED WITH A WARNING THAT ANTI-ZIONISM TODAY WAS BUT A EUPHEMISM FOR ANTI-SEMITISM. END SUMMARY.

2. COMMENTING ON THE EGYPT-ISRAEL AGREEMENT, ALLON SAID "THOSE WHO SINCERELY SEEK PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST WILL SURELY FIND CAUSE FOR SATISFACTION IN THE NEW AGREEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL WHICH WAS NEGOTIATED THROUGH THE GOOD OFFICES OF THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES." CITING THE MAJOR PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT, ALLON UNDERLINED ITS SIGNIFICANCE AS THE OPENING "OF A NEW CHAPTER IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES." STRESSING THAT THE AGREEMENT WAS THE FREE WILL OF TWO SOVEREIGN STATES, ALLON ADDED THAT IF EGYPT AND ISRAEL CONSIDERED THE AGREEMENT ADVANTAGEOUS TO THEM AND A STEP NOT DIRECTED AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY-NOBODY IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAD THE RIGHT TO CENSURE IT NOT TO SET HIMSELF UP AS AN ARBITER OF THE INTERESTS OF THE PARTIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED. ALLON PRAISED THE ROLE PLAYED BY THE UN, THE SECRETARY GENERAL, AND THE UN PEACE FORCES. ISRAEL SAW THE NEW AGREEMENT NOT AS AN END BUT AS THE BEGINNING OF THE PROCESS OF PEACEMAKING.

3. ON THE SUBJECT OF FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS, ALLON DECLARED THAT ISRAEL WAS READY TO ENTER SUCH NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT AND EVERY ONE OF THE NEIGHBORING STATES. HE NOTED WITH REGRET THE REPEATED STATEMENTS MADE BY THE

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LEADERS OF SYRIA REJECTING THE CONCEPT OF A GENUINE PEACE TREATY WITH ISRAEL AND HOPED THIS WAS NOT THEIR LAST WORD. HE REITERATED "THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL IS READY AND WILLING TO ENTER INTO PEACE NEGOTIATIONS WITH SYRIA WITHOUT PRIOR CONDITIONS, AS CALLED FOR BY RESOLUTION 338, AT ANY PLACE AND ANY TIME." HE SAID THAT AS FAR AS ISRAEL WAS CONCERNED THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE COULD BE RECONVENED WHENEVER THE PARTIES WERE READY FOR IT, FOLLOWING

ADEQUATE PREPARATION. ISRAEL WAS IN FAVOR ON ANY MECHANISM WHICH WOULD ADVANCE THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATION BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT; ISRAEL " WILL THEREFORE GIVE THE IDEA PUT FORWARD BY SECRETARY KISSINGER FOR AN INFORMAL MULTILATERAL CONSULTATION MOST EARNEST CONSIDERATION."

4. ON THE SUBJECT OF THE PALESTINE ARABS, ALLON NOTED THAT GENUINE PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST MUST INCLUDE A JUST AND CONSTRUCTIVE SOLUTION FOR THIS PROBLEM. THE SOLUTION DEMANDED A CHANGE OF ATTITUDE IN THE ARAB WORLD. HE SAID THE PALESTINE ARAB PROBLEM SHOULD AND CAN BE SOLVED IN THE CONTEXT OF A PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND JORDAN. ISRAEL WAS, HOWEVER, "CATEGORICALLY NEGATIVE" ABOUT THE PRETENSIONS OF THE PLO TO SPEAK IN THE NAME OF THE PALESTINE ARABS. HE DESCRIBED THE PLO AS A "CONGREGATION OF FEUDING TERRORIST GANGS." WHOSE PRIMARY AIM WAS THE ANNIHILATION OF ISRAEL. IT WAS NEITHER A VALID REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINE ARAB COMMUNITY NOR A VALID INTERLOCUTOR FOR ISRAEL. IT WAS NO SURPRISE THAT THE PLO WAS SPEARHEADING ARAB EFFORTS TO DISRUPT THE RECENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL.

5. ALLON ATTACKED THE IDEA OF A DEMOCRATIC SECULAR STATE AS A TRANSPARENT PROPAGANDA GIMMICK. NAIVE AND WELL-MEANING PEOPLE HAD PUT FORWARD LEBANON AS AN EXAMPLE OF THIS TYPE BUT LEBANON HAD BEEN TORN APART BY A VICIOUS SECTARIAN CIVIL WAR BETWEEN ITS MUSLIM AND CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES. ISRAEL HAD ONLY TO LOOK AT THE MORE THAN 800,000 JEWS WHO HAVE LEFT OR HAVE BEEN DRIVEN OUT OF THE ARAB COUNTRIES TO KNOW THE FATE OF JEWS OF ISRAEL IF THE PLO NIGHTMARE WERE REALIZED.

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6. ALLON CALLED THE PROBLEM OF ARMS CONTROL IN THE MIDDLE EAST REAL AND URGENT. ALTHOUGH FORCED TO TAKE PART IN A SENSELESS ARMS COMPETITION, ISRAEL WAS READY AT ANY TIME TO COME TO ITS NEIGHBORS ON MEASURES TO LIMIT THE ARMS RACE, WITHOUT MATERIALLY AFFECTING THE RELATIVE DEFENSIVE CAPACITY OF ANY OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONSULTATION. ISRAEL ALSO SUPPORTED THE PROPOSAL FOR A NUCLEAR-FREE ZONE IN THE MIDDLE EAST PROVIDED THERE WOULD BE NEGOTIATIONS BASED ON A PROCESS OF INTER-GOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATION.

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7. ALLON ALSO DISCOURSED ON THE UN ON ITS 30 TH ANNIVERSARY, AND FROM ISRAEL'S POINT OF VIEW, FOUND THE RECORD VERY UNEVEN. ISRAEL BELONGED TO NO BLOC AND NO ALLIANCE AND COULD COUNT ON LITTLE SUPPORT IN THIS ASSEMBLY, NOT BECAUSE ITS CAUSE WAS UNJUST BUT BECAUSE OF CONSIDERATIONS OF UNPRICIPLED EXPEDIENCY. THE UN AND THE UN SYSTEM HAD BECOME PLACES WHERE RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED BY AUTOMATIC MAJORITIES, DEMANDING IN EFFECT THAT ISRAEL COMMIT NATIONAL SUICIDE. SOMETHING WAS SERIOUSLY WRONG WITH THE UN SYSTEM. ALLON SAID ISRAEL WELCOMED DETENTE AND THE CSCE BUT STRESSED THAT DETENTE MUST APPLY TO THE MIDDLE EAST NO LESS THAN TO EUROPE; HE HOPED THAT THE SOVIET UNION WOULD LIVE UP TO THE SPIRIT OF THE FINAL ACT OF HELSINKI IN ALLOWING SOVIET JEWS TO BE REUNITED WITH THEIR BRETHREN IN THEIR ANCIENT HOMELAND. ALLON CONCLUDED WITH A STATEMENT ON ZIONISM, RELATING TO ISRAEL'S TRADITIONS, ITS HERITAGE, AND ITS DEMOCRATIC IDEALS. HE STATED CATERGORICALLY, HOWEVER, THAT ANTI-UNCLASSIFIED

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